

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending and Applicant expresses appreciation to the Examiner for removing the restriction requirement and analyzing each of the pending claims for purposes of patentability.

The Examiner has rejected each of the claims under 35 USC 102(e) as being unpatentable over Cameron (USPubNo 2003/0055735 A1). Applicant respectfully disagrees and provides the following traverse.

Cameron discloses a system for allowing a user to purchase goods and pay for goods on the web (see Figure 3 of Cameron). However, as discussed below, Cameron fails to disclose a goods supply system as recited in pending Claim 1.

As presently claimed, the goods supply system of the present invention includes a program-providing device for providing a selling program for selling goods to be supplied from the goods supply system to the sale processing system (see pg. 16 line 18 - pg. 17 line 4 and pg. 18 line 21 - pg. 19 line 16 of the application). As the selection and purchase of goods by a user proceeds with the program provided from the goods supply system, the selection and purchasing of the goods occurs independent of the sale processing system. Therefore, a goods provider can provide goods in accordance with a predetermined selling method without restricting the selling method of the sale processing system.

Cameron, on the other hand, allows a user to buy items from an actual vender machine without actual money (see paragraphs 0213 and 0214 of Cameron). Cameron fails to disclose or teach a virtual vender machine and the reference also fails to teach that the selling style of the actual vendor machine is capable of being changed. Accordingly, Cameron fails to teach the claimed goods supply system of the present invention as recited in the pending claims. Accordingly, the claims are patentable over Camerson. *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 U.S.P.Q.2d 1051 (Fed. Cir. 1987) ("a claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim" is found in the cited prior art reference).

Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time for responding to the Office Action. **The fee of \$120.00 for the extension is provided for in the charge authorization presented in the PTO Form 2038, Credit Card Payment form, provided herewith.**

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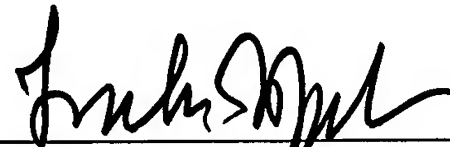
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In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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